



**COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
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**Tara B. White, Chair
Michele Shalaby
Nathaniel H. Yohalem
Board of Selectmen**

**Minutes of Selectmen's Meeting
Wednesday, February 25, 2015**

Board Members Present: Tara B. White, Chairman
Michele Shalaby
Nathaniel Yohalem (by telephone)

Others Present: Joseph Kellogg, Administrative Assistant
Sharon Fleck, Administrative Secretary

The meeting of the Board of Selectmen convened at 11:00 a.m.

A motion was made, seconded and so approved to allow Nathaniel Yohalem to participate in the Selectmen's Meeting by telephone.

The following budgets were presented to the Board for approval:

Moderator	Level Funded	\$ 145
Website	Level Funded	\$ 2,425
Selectmen Salaries	Level Funded	\$ 8,550
Selectmen's Expenses	Level Funded	\$ 4,000
Contingent	Level Funded	\$ 3,000
Town Counsel	Level Funded	\$ 10,000
Administrative Assistant	Increase \$453	\$ 38,000
Administrative Secretary	Increase \$1500	\$ 28,000
Audit	Increase \$7,000	\$ 15,000*
Accounting Officer	Increase \$341	\$ 17,366**
(Tara White recused herself from this vote)		
Assessor's Salaries	Level Funded	\$ 6,000
Assessor Clerk	Increase \$347	\$ 17,695**
Tax Collector Salary	Increase \$514	\$ 26,200**
Town Clerk Salary	Increase \$592	\$ 30,172**
Clerical	Increase \$163	\$ 8,300**
Street Lights	Increase \$500	\$ 5,000
Library Salaries	Increase \$1050	\$ 53,518**

Building Inspector Salary	Increase \$385	\$ 19,589**
Berkshire Regional Group Purch.	Level Funded	\$ 600
Group Insurance	Increase \$13,000	\$150,000
Medicare	Increase \$275	\$ 11,700
Reserve Fund	Level Funded	\$ 50,000
Emergency Management Expense	Increase \$425	\$ 2,250

*Yearly audit

**2% increase

A motion was made, seconded and so voted to approve the above budget items for FY16.

Joe Kellogg advised that the school budget is \$82,000+ over last year's budget. The insurance budget (including Worker's Compensation) has been underfunded for many years and he would need an additional \$20,000 to properly fund this account, or a total of approximately \$86,000. Joe also advised that at this point the budget is currently about \$50,000 out of balance.

Joe advised that he had heard from Mike Skorput who acknowledged he had three items that need to be returned to the Town and will advise Joe when they will be returned. Joe is also working on completing the retirement papers for Mike that had been missing certain information.

Being that there was no further business to be brought before the Board, a motion was made, seconded and so voted by all members to adjourn the meeting at 11:28 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Sharon Fleck
Administrative Secretary